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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: GYPSUM BOARD PLANT

REF: (A) STATE 52054; (B) TAIPEI 0827

1. COE MANUFACTURING COMPANY CONTACTED COMMERCE, MAJOR EXPORT PROJECTS DIVISION ABOUT ITS INTEREST IN SUBJECT PROJECT. FIRM FINDS CONDITIONS OF TENDER IMPOSSIBLE TO MEET BOTH TECHNICALLY AND COMMERCIALLY. THEY WONDER WHETHER THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT ONE FIRM HAS INSIDE TRACK OR HAS BEEN PRE-SELECTED. IF EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS NOT TO BE CASE, DOES IT APPEAR THAT CHINA PHOSPHATE INDUSTRIES WOULD BE WILLING TO DISCUSS MODIFICATION OF TERMS OF TENDER? IF SO, COE WOULD BE WILLING CONSIDER SEND ENGINEERS TO TAIPEI TO DISCUSS DETAILS. ALTHOUGH PARA 3 REF A OFFERS POSSIBLE PARTIAL ANSWER TO QUESTIONS RAISED, WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY INVESTIGATE SITUATION AND ATTEMPT UNCLASSIFIED

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CLARIFY SITUATION.

2. FIRM HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY FETTLE ENGINEERS AND TRADERS COMPANY, TAIPEI OFFERING ITS SERVICES AS AGENT. NO WTDR ON FILE. CAN EMBASSY PROVIDE ANY BACKGROUND ON

FETTLE AND ITS CLAIM TO EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE WITH CHINA

PHOSPHATE? COULD EMBASSY SUGGEST TWO OR THREE OTHER POSSIBILITIES?

3. GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE. CHRISTOPHER

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